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EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

FOR READING MATTER see every page of the HERALD.

THE CROPS WEST.—We saw Mr. E. PARKER, of Le Roy, on Saturday last, on his return from a tour through Kentucky, Indiana, and portions of Ohio and Illinois, who informed us that the reports concerning the damage of the crops by frost in those States have been greatly exaggerated. He told us that the wheat and corn crops especially are remarkably forward and abundant, not having been injured to an extent sufficient to be felt by the agriculturists, except in very limited districts. Having made special enquiries of many persons from all parts of Ohio, and many parts of Illinois, that he did not visit; he found invariably that no damage had been done in the vicinity of those of whom he sought information, all referring to some other district of which they only knew by rumor.

He learned also that there were some heavy holders of last year's crops, and that many of the reports have been circulated by these speculators with a view to sell and realize large prices. Mr. Parker is of the opinion that the cultivated fields in the west never covered so large an area as at this time, and that an abundant yield was never more promising, and the prosperity of the country never better than now.

Supreme Court.

Mutual stock below par.

Judge GREEN yesterday refused to try the Genesee Mutual Insurance Co's cause of which there are thirty or forty upon the calendar, upon the ground that he might possibly have an interest in the event, as he had been notified that it was claimed he was a member of the Company for the reason that about nine years since he had a policy which he supposed was surrendered some years since, but by mistake it seems it was not.

So another ten dollars term fee follows for the defendants to pay in the event they are beat. The Company does not pay any thing and there is no law to make them.

Circuit Court and Court of Oyer and Terminer, held at Batavia, Monday 27th day of June, 1899.

PRESENT.—Hon. JUSTICE GREEN.

WM. H. DAVIS, } Sen. Justice.

WM. BARNETT, }

H. W. HANCOCK, Clerk.

Eight Constables were announced and answered to their names.

Twenty-three gentlemen summoned answered to their names and were sworn as Grand Jurors.

ACQUIT E. WARNER, Foreman.

The People vs Polly Frisk. Indictment for murder. On motion of District Atty, Court ordered 50 Talismen to be summoned in this case.

Rufus J. Hunt vs Chester Olinstead. Jury returned with verdict for PIF—or Def't that Def't have 30 days to make and serve a bill of exceptions and all proceedings in the meantime be stayed on part of PIF.

John Lent vs Robert McVean. Jury found verdict for PIF of \$125.36. Ordered that 30 days be given Def't to make and serve bill of exceptions.

Isaac Smith vs Elias P. Ellicott. Ordered trial. Jury returned a verdict for PIF of \$120.46.

A. F. Burrell vs M. W. Hay. Ordered trial. Jury waived and came tried by Court. Court ordered judgment against the Def't for \$101.75.

The village of Batavia vs M. G. Soper. Ordered trial—also now on.

HONORARY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.—On Wednesday the 29th inst. U. States Senator, James R. Doolittle will deliver an Oration before the Alumni of Hobart College at Geneva. The commencement exercises will be held on Thursday the 30th of June. The many Friends of Senator Doolittle will have a fine opportunity to hear him upon this occasion.

Wonderful Feat by M. Blondin.

All the reports we gather of M. Blondin, the rope walker, and those from men of integrity who have seen his performances, go to confirm the impression, that he is a man with the agility and daring of a squirrel. The railroad men and others who are at the Falls every day, are now prepared to believe that he can do anything on a rope that he promises to do. His performance yesterday and the day before when his rope was being drawn across the river, were quite equal to crossing, although he has reserved that feat for the whole public to witness. Before the rope had been stayed by the guys, M. Blondin ran out upon it some two hundred feet from one bank and there opened and drank a bottle of ginger pop. Suddenly he dropped from his erect position, and was seen hanging by his feet, head downward, over the great chasm. He amused the spectators by running down some small guy ropes to press on the river bank; and then he would climb the limbs of the trees, frequently going up and down feet foremost.

M. Blondin announces that on Thursday of next week he will cross the Niagara on his rope, which has been suspended, and will be ready for use by that time. He will then return with a sack drawn over his head, and finally he will recross with a pack upon his shoulders, pushing a wheelbarrow—the latter being his crowning feat for the day. We confess that we believe M. Blondin will do all that he has promised, and perhaps more. It is now pretty much settled that this wonderful individual is to remain at the Falls through the pleasure season, making frequent passages of the river on the rope to entertain visitors. He will rival the great cataract as an object of interest for those who may go to the Falls this summer.—*Rochester Union, of Saturday.*

Murder in Lancaster.

We are indebted to the Telegraph operator of the New York and Lake for the following horrid tale:

Mr. James Nichols and Mr. Blackman were each about sixty years of age, with families, being within forty rods of each other. Their farms adjoining—they were both accounted to be respectable citizens. They have had much trouble in their school districts in regard to the management of their school, some of the tax payers of that district, had resolved to refuse to pay their district and the legality of the assessment. The collector was allowed to levy upon property which was ascertained to be sold to-day at 1 o'clock. Some half dozen neighbors were congregated at the house of sale at the appointed place, some two miles west of the village of Lancaster on the plank road. When a sharp talk arose between Nichols and those of a different opinion. Some one who observed the outline of a pistol in his pocket, accused him of being armed, whereupon he drew a revolver from his pocket, and said, you I have a pistol, now come on, I defy you. One neighbor said, you foolish old fellow put up your pistol, ain't you ashamed.

About this time Mr. Blackman walked directly towards Nichols, face to face, until they came within reach of each of each other, when Blackman raised back his hands towards Nichols in sort of a grabbing manner, whereupon Nichols fired, the ball passing near and under the heart of Blackman, into his stomach.

The next shot took effect in the groin. Mr. B. then climbed and threw Nichols upon the ground, falling upon him.

Mr. B. rolled back upon the ground and exclaimed, "I am dying," while Nichols was in the act of firing the third shot. Mr. Atwood dashed him, and snatched the revolver out of his hand, while the spectators were providing for the dying man.

Mr. Nichols ran to his wagon, which was near, and jumping into it, put his horse upon the road for home. Mr. B. was carried into the nearest house, where he died in an hour and a half.

Upon search being made upon Nichols' premises, he was not to be found, but it is understood that some person saw him making for the woods south of his home. Perhaps he started for the house of his brother, who lives in the town of Aurora.—*Def. Express.*

GRAPES CROPS OF OHIO.—An experienced vintner, who has one of the best vineyards in Hamilton county, Ohio, says that four hundred gallons of wine per acre may be safely depended upon this year, as the product of the grape crop. The fermented juice of the grape readily commands, when new, an average of \$1.25 per gallon. At the above rate the crop will yield \$500 per acre—about the most profitable crop that is produced in this country.

The California mare Princess, that the people are beginning to suspect is the fastest animal effort, was raised by A. M. Billings, of Clairmont, N. H., and sold by him to Mr. Gage of the Tremont House, Chicago, where she went to California and became famous. She was known by the name of "Topsy." Mr. TRAXLER, her present owner, gave \$5,000.

NEWS SUMMARY

Lewis C. Levin, the representative of Americanism in Philadelphia, is now a confirmed lunatic.

One day last week more than eighty vessels of one kind and another passed Detroit, as was ascertained by actual count. This is said to be the largest number that ever passed in one day.

The Governor of Connecticut has vetoed a bill chartering a Pacific Railroad Company. He thinks that such charters should be obtained from the States which the road will traverse, or from the United States.

Advices from Arizona say another revolution has broken out in Sonora, and the Indians had taken the field in favor of Gaudara and the Church party.

—The Tribune says: "We have trustworthy advice to the effect that there is promise of excellent crops in Europe; and that in spite of the war, there will be no unusual demand for American breadstuffs in that part of the world."

—A. C. Hughes has written an article for the Metropolitan Record, in which he upholds Austria and condemns the Allies. Prediction is made that in the end the cause of conservatism (Austrian conservatism?) will succeed, and the revolutionists be chastised.

—At an exhibition of fireworks at Charlestown, Mass., on Saturday evening, on Bunker Hill, Mrs. Oliver Frost was struck by a rocket stick and fatally injured.

The Legislature of Connecticut have passed a bill taxing Savings Banks one fourth of one per cent. on their deposits. Also, a bill authorizing Savings Banks to loan one-half (instead of one-third) of the deposits on personal security; but only ten per cent. can be loaned on bank stock.

The lightning struck a house in Campbellburg, Ky., and tore to fragments a piano on which a young lady was about to commence playing. The subtile fluid then left the house without doing further damage.

The Charleston News declares that if the Charleston Convention hesitates about a slave code, and especially if Douglas is in danger of nomination, the southern delegates will secede, and nominate for themselves.

C. B. Fry killed his sister-in-law nearly twenty-five years ago, in Boone county, East Tennessee was tried and sentenced to imprisonment for life. Soon after being incarcerated he made his escape, and went to Arkansas, and established himself high up on the waters of the Arkansas river, where he became a leading citizen, living undisturbed and enjoying the confidence of the community to such an extent as to secure his election to offices of high trust. He also became a member of the Methodist Church, and to all appearances, led a consistent christian life. About two weeks ago, some persons who were acquainted with the crime of his former life, discovered him and procured his arrest, and he was brought up on the steamer Kate Fried to Memphis last Wednesday, and will be conveyed to the care of his crime to suffer the penalty adjudged as punishment for the same.

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